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WASTE-BASKET OF WORDS.

ÆSTUATION. — "The good father could not discourse of this subject without some passionate *Æstuation*." Sewall's Letter-Book, vol. i. p. 193. — *H. W. Haynes, Boston, Mass.*

BARN. — "To dry the corne, which they (the Indians) do carefully upon heaps and mats many days before they *barn* it up." Roger Williams' "Key into the Language of America" ("R. I. Hist. Soc. Rep." p. 92). The word is used in a similar sense by Shakespeare, "Rape of Lucrece," l. 859: "And useless *barns* the harvest of his wits." — *H. W. Haynes.*

ILL. — Used by negroes in Washington very much as *ugly* is often employed at the North. The negro mentioned says that a horse which is cross, or threatens harm, is *ill*, though in excellent health. — *W. H. Babcock, Washington, D. C.*

LEVIT. — "Monday, January 1, 1704-5, Col. Hobbey's negro comes about 8 or 9 *mane* and sends in by David to have leave to give me a *Levit* and wish me a merry new year. I admitted it: gave him 3 reals. Sounded very well." Sewall's Diary, vol. ii. p. 121. The editors append this note: "Levit — a blast of a trumpet." The word is found in *Hudibras*, p. ii. c. ii. l. 611. — *H. W. Haynes.*

MAMMOCK. — This word, referred to in the first number of the *FOLK-LORE JOURNAL*, is still in use in the District of Columbia. A colored man employed by me frequently complains that the cows "*mummock* the hay" so badly. — *W. H. Babcock.*

RETALIATION. — This word has fared like *resent*, quoted in the last number. Formerly it was used in a good sense, as well as in a bad one. In the "Boston Town Records," March 11, 1700, we find a vote, "That the Selectmen should cause a piece of plate to be made of the value of 20 pounds, and present the same to Mr. James Taylor as a small *retaluation* of his service and kindness to the Town." "Seventh Report of Record Commissioners," p. 240. — *H. W. Haynes.*

INNED. — In the "Lawes and Ordinances of Warre," passed by the General Court of the Colony of Massachusetts, in 1675, is an order for "securing the graine *inned* in the barnes of the several inhabitants." "Colonial Laws" (Whitmore's reprint), p. 240. This word is used by Shakespeare in "All's Well that ends Well," A. i. Sc. 3, "to *inn* the crop." — *H. W. Haynes.*

QUARRELS. — "Something was thrown forcibly, against the upper part of the north window, and five or six *quarrels* broken out." Sewall's Diary, Nov. 27, 1719, vol. iii. p. 235. — *H. W. Haynes.*

SHANTY. — The dictionaries give the derivation of this word as from the Irish *sean*, old, and *tig*, a house; but Dr. Bouvinot says it is a corruption of *chantier*, used by the French Canadians. See "Scottish Review," April, 1887, vol. ix. p. 257. — *H. W. Haynes.*

SIGN. — Constantly used in Washington as a term for marking off the land for corn or potatoes. — *W. H. Babcock.*